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SUBJECT BLACK Inc.



FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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Mr. Tavel	✓
Mr. Soyars	✓
Tele. Room	✓
Miss Holmes	✓
Miss Gandy	✓

January 15, 1970

The attached anonymous letter was sent to the Bureau, attention Security Clearances Department, from Long Beach, California. The letter reads as follows:

"12 Jan '70

Gentlemen:

I am writing you, because after reading the enclosed letter and seeing who it was to, I feel for the security of the nation. The man it was written to is aboard the Ticonderoga at this time. He was an "RM" Striker on my ship & I believe he will be one on the Tico. With the information given in the letter I do believe that a small investigation should be in order to find out the facts & any links between the two people. I am not giving you my name for I am about to be discharged from the service & don't want any delay. I realize you can find out who I am by fingerprints if you must but I do not see where it is in order.

V. R. S. P.
an RM²

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"Say Brother,

Those broads have got to go. Don't call or write to them anymore. [] has been saying that its a bother to her when you call or write to her. [] is going with some dude named [] so f... her, too!

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Now to get on some important subject. Blacks Inc. have machine guns! !thats right fella 'Thomsons' 4 big ones plus were gona get some live hand gernades from some dude I know that is in the K. K. K. We got guns man, enough to hold the man (police) for months. [] got sent up because he shot 2 Tarrytown Rangers and some broads with a shotgun at a party. [] got sent up too! He beat some Honky in the head with a tire iron. Ha! Ha! Ha! fuck the honkies man [] is only up for 6 months. So is [] The F. B. I. has been watching the neighborhood and the man's been trying to shake us down. Me, I'm playing it cool and going into hibernation. We have a coalition of Us, The K. Roos, 18th st. gangsters, Mafia, Mystics, and The Black Devils from Harbor -- Yeah man, Gay town is run by Blacks Inc now. A few weeks ago I busted 3 honkies outside work, one was 23, the other 25, and 21. I beat the fuck out of them and didn't get in any trouble.

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Well thats about all fella sure hope you can make it over here with us in Christmas, man.

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Take Care of Yourself
Your Brother

[] &
Your sister
[]

P. S.

[] said HI!!!!!"

(Return address on envelope --

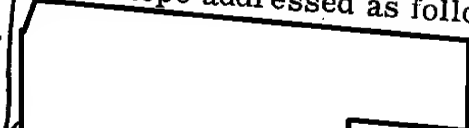
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East Chicago, Ind. 46312)

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(Envelope addressed as follows--



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TO: SAC, Indianapolis

From: Director, FBI

BLACKS, INC.
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Enclosed for Indianapolis is a typed copy of a letter furnished the Bureau by an anonymous correspondent. The letter alleges that captioned group is in possession of four machine guns and other weapons and is involved in racial violence. The letter bore a return address of

[REDACTED]

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Bureau files contain no references to Blacks, Inc., [REDACTED]. The letter was addressed to [REDACTED]. The anonymous correspondent noted that [REDACTED] was aboard the Ticonderoga as of 1-12-70.

Indianapolis should open an investigation on Blacks, Inc., and both the writers of this letter. An LHM should immediately be submitted containing results of file reviews and preliminary inquiries. This LHM should contain the text of the letter and all other pertinent facts so that it can be disseminated to the Navy and other appropriate agencies.

Enclosure

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JAN 20 1970
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Say Brother,

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DATE 9-20-01 BY 3916346/BCE/PK

Those broads have got to go. Don't
call or write to them anymore. Anged
has been saying that its a bother
to her when you call or write to her.
[redacted] is going with some dude
named [redacted] so fuck her too!

How to get on some important
subject. Blacks Inc. have machine
guns!! thats right fella "Thomsons"
4 big ones plus were gonna get some
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base hand grenades from some dude
I know that is in the K.K.K.
We got guns man, enough to hold
of the man (POKE) for months. [redacted]
got sent up because he shot 2 Targets
Rangers and some broads with a
shotgun at a party.



[redacted] got sent up
too! He beat some Honky
in the head with a
tri. non. Fa! Ha! Ha!
fuck the honkies man
this note is ^{turn} over
right from the
"sweat
of my
brow"...

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[redacted] is only up for 6 months
So is [redacted] The F.B.I. has
been watching the neighborhood
and the man's been trying to
shake us down. We, I'm playing
it cool and going into hibernation.
We have a coalition of us,
the Roos, 18th st. gangsters, Mafia,
Myotics, and The Black Devils
from Harbor. Yeah man, Gay
town is run by Blacks - One
now. A few weeks ago I busted
3 honkies outside work, one was
23, the other 25, and 21, I beat
the fuck out of them and didn't
get in any trouble.

Well that's about all
fella ~~at~~ sure hope you can
make it over here with us
in Christmas, man

P.S.

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[redacted] said
H / ! ! ! !

Take Care of Yourself
Your Brother

[redacted]
Your Sister
[redacted]

[Redacted]

East Chicago, Ind.

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[Redacted]

Sgt. James E. Smith

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Note on reverse side reads as follows --

"This drawing was drawn by [redacted]
Representative of Mighty Blacks Inc. of Gay
Town, Ind. for his brother [redacted]
now serving under the United States Navy"

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POWER To The

PEOPLE!!!

FUCK

The Draft

AND

U. S. A.

BECAUSE

I GOT LATIN

SOUL

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DATE 9-7-01 BY 390636/BLP

THIS DRAWING WAS DRAWN
BY [REDACTED] Repres-
entative of MIGHTY BLACKS INC.
of GAY TOWN, IND.

FOR HIS Brother

[REDACTED]

NOW SERVING UNDER

THE UNITED STATES NAVY

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GENTLEMEN;

I AM WRITING YOU, BECAUSE AFTER
READING THE ENCLOSED LETTER AND SEEING
WHO IT WAS TO, I FEEL FOR THE SECURITY
OF THE NATION THE MAN IT WAS
WRITTEN TO IS ABOARD THE TICONDEROGA
AT THIS TIME. HE WAS AN "RA" STRIKER
ON MY SHIP & I BELIEVE HE WILL BE
ONE ON THE TICO, WITH THE INFOR-
MATION GIVEN IN THE LETTER I DO
BELIEVE THAT A SMALL INVESTIGATION
SHOULD BE IN ORDER TO FIND OUT THE
~~THE~~ FACTS & ANY LINKS BETWEEN
THE TWO PEOPLE. I AM NOT GIVING
YOU MY NAME FOR I AM ABOUT TO
BE DISCHARGED FROM THE SERVICE &
DON'T WANT ANY DELAY. I REALIZE
YOU CAN FIND OUT WHO I AM BY
FINGERPRINTS IF YOU MUST BUT I

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do not see where it is in order

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This Encl.



FEDERAL BUREAU OF
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WASHINGTON D.C.



ATTN: Security Clearances Dept. 157-1141-1

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Date: 1/29/70

Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plaintext or code)

AIRTEL

Via _____
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, INDIANAPOLIS (157-2220) (P)

BLACKS INC.

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OO: IP

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DATE 9-20-01 BY 390636ew/ple/OK

Re Bureau airtel, 1/21/70.

Enclosed for the Bureau are eight copies of LHM reflecting results of preliminary investigation re captioned group.

First confidential source is an anonymous correspondent who furnished to the Bureau the contents of the letter reported herein. The second confidential source is [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] East Chicago, Indiana.

LEADS:

INDIANAPOLIS

At Gary and East Chicago, Indiana

Will maintain contact with local PDs and racial sources regarding captioned organization.

- ② - Bureau (Enc. 8) (RM) **REC 13**
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AGENCY: ACSI, ~~OSI~~, OSI, SEC. SERV., NIC
DEPT: ISD, ~~SEC~~, IDIU, ~~SEC~~

HOW FORW: *R/S*DATE FORW: *2/10/70*BY: *TJD/mch*

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Approved: *5-18-70*
Special Agent in Charge

Sent _____ M Per _____



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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Indianapolis, Indiana

January 29, 1970

BLACKS INC.

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DATE 4-20-01 BY 39063 elw/pjg/ok

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A confidential source who has been contacted an
insufficient number of times to determine his reliability
furnished a letter addressed to one [redacted]
[redacted] San Fransico, Cal.
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This letter bore a return address of [redacted]
[redacted] East Chicago, Indiana 46312.

The letter is as follows:

"Say Brother,

"Those broads have got to go. Don't call or write
to them any more. [redacted] has been saying that its a
bother to her when you call or write to her. [redacted] is
going with some dude named [redacted] so f--- her too'

"Now to get on some important subject. Blacks Inc.
have machine guns" Thats right fella' Thomsons''''
Were gona get some live hand gernades from some dude I
know that is in the K.K.K. We got guns man, enough to
hold the man (police) for months. [redacted] got sent up
because he shot two Tarrytown Rangers and some broads with
a shotgun at a party. [redacted] got sent up to' He beat
some honky in the head with a tire iron. Ha'
Ha' Ha' Fuck the honkies man. [redacted] is only up for
six months. So is [redacted] The FBI has been watching the
neighborhood and the man's been trying to shake us
down. Me, I'm playing it cool and going into hibernation.
We have a coalition of Us, the K. Roos, 18th Street Gangsters,
Mafia, Mystics, and The Black Devils from Harbor 22. Yeah
man, Gaytom is run by Blacks Inc. now. A few weeks ago.

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I busted three honkies outside work, one was 23, the other 25, and 21. I beat the fuck out of them and didn't get in any trouble.

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"Well that is about all. [redacted] sure hopes you can make it over here in Christmas, man.

"Take care of yourself
Your brother

[redacted]
your sister

"PS [redacted] said hi"

On January 26, 1970 [redacted] East Chicago, Indiana Police Department, advised that [redacted] and the girl [redacted] are unknown to him and that they have no arrest record with his department.

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[redacted] further advised that he had no information indicating that a coalition of Latin and Negro youths in East Chicago and Gary has been formed and stated that in the past there has generally been friction between these two groups as well as various youths from East Chicago and Gary.

[redacted] related that the above mentioned youths gangs are from Gary, Indiana with the possible exception of the Black Devils. [redacted] stated that at one time there was a Red Devils Negro street gang located in the Indiana Harbor section of East Chicago but that this gang has not been active recently.

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On January 27, 1970, [redacted] Gang Intelligence Unit, Gary, Indiana Police Department, advised that Blacks Inc. was originally founded in the spring of 1969 by adult homeowners in the western section of Gary for the purpose of obtaining Federal funds for playgrounds in the area. He advised that the organization had been unsuccessful and has since disbanded.

BLACKS INC.

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[] related that the current Blacks Inc. is composed of Negro high school students who to date have not posed any serious law enforcement problems and to his knowledge are not powerful enough to warrant their forming a coalition with any of the other Negro youth gangs in Gary.

[] related that the groups that are mentioned in the above letter are all Negro street gangs in Gary with the exception of the Mystics which has been primarily the motor cycle gang which has included Negroes, Latins and whites from Gary, Hammond and East Chicago.

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[] advised that the Black Devils are possibly the East Chicago Negro gang previously known as the Red Devils.

[] related that the Kangaroos of Gary has been the largest street gang and that former members of the Kangaroos have founded the 18th Street Gangsters, the Mafia and have assisted the Kangaroos in their rivalry against the Tarrytown Rangers which is the other major youth gang in Gary.

[] advised that he has received no information from his sources within the gangs which would indicate that a coalition of Negroes and Latins from Gary and East Chicago has been formed.

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[] further advised that he has been in receipt of numerous rumors indicating that an unspecified number of automatic weapons are in the Gary area.

[] stated that he has been unable to substantiate these rumors and was of the opinion that if these weapons do in fact exist, they would have been utilized in several recent instances of random firing between various gang members in Gary.

On January 28, 1970, a second confidential source, a representative of another Government agency, advised that [] was born [] at East Chicago, Indiana and on March 27, 1969 while residing at [] East Chicago, Indiana, enlisted in the United States Navy receiving Navy Serial Number []

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This source further advised that [redacted]
of [redacted] East Chicago, Indiana, was born [redacted]
[redacted] at Cienega De Flores, Mexico and since May 7, 1956 has been
a permanent resident under Immigration and Naturalization number
[redacted] Source reported that [redacted] is currently employed
as an [redacted] and is single.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 5/19/70

FROM : SAC, INDIANAPOLIS (157-2220) (P)

SUBJECT: Blacks, Inc.
RM

OO: Indianapolis

Re IP airtel and LHM dated 1/29/70 captioned as above.

120 Contact has been maintained with [redacted]
[redacted] Gang Intelligence Unit, Gary, Indiana PD and
[redacted] East Chicago, Indiana PD
regarding captioned group. Both have advised that no new
information regarding captioned group has come to their
attention especially in regards to possible possession of
automatic weapons or explosives.

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INDIANAPOLIS

At Gary, Indiana
And East Chicago, Indiana

Maintain contact with local PD's and will interview
[redacted] regarding his knowledge of captioned group.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 7/14/70

FROM : SAC, INDIANAPOLIS (157-2220) (C)

SUBJECT: *Sh...*
BLACKS, INC.
RM

OO: Indianapolis

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Re Indianapolis letter 5/19/70.

Enclosed for the Bureau are six copies of LHM captioned as above, reflecting interview of [redacted] on 7/8/70, by SA [redacted] and SA [redacted]

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In view of [redacted] statements, and as no positive information has been developed through contact with police department and racial sources regarding acquisition of arms by youth gangs in Gary and East Chicago, Indiana, Indianapolis is conducting no further investigation regarding captioned organization or [redacted] UACB.

However, Indianapolis will remain alert for any positive information regarding the possession of automatic weapons and/or explosives by Negro or Latin youth gangs in Lake County, Indiana.

Enclosed LHM has been disseminated to MIG, NIS and INS, locally.

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AGENCY: [redacted], NIC, [redacted], SEC. SERV.,
DEPT: ISD, [redacted], IDIU

HOW FORW: *RS*

DATE FORW: *7/24/70*

BY: *7/24/70*

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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Indianapolis, Indiana

July 14, 1970

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Blacks, Incorporated

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On July 8, 1970, [redacted]
East Chicago, Indiana, advised that during the spring and summer
of 1969, he was associated with an organization known as Blacks,
Incorporated. [redacted] described this organization as a group
of Negro and Latin youths from Gary and East Chicago, Indiana,
founded for the purpose of obtaining Federal funds for
recreational activities.

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[redacted] stated that they were unsuccessful and were
subsequently disbanded. He advised that he has had no late
association with any of the original members or with any group
or gang leader known under the same name.

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[redacted] admitted writing a letter to an [redacted]
[redacted] who is currently on active duty with the United States
Navy. [redacted] alleged that his statements in the letter
regarding possession of automatic weapons and hand grenades
were pure fabrications on his part and he had written them in
order to impress [redacted]

[redacted] specifically denied any knowledge of
automatic weapons and explosives being in the possession of
youth gangs in either East Chicago or Gary, and categorically
denied his claimed assault of three individuals as related in
his letter.

[redacted] further advised that there is no coalition
to his knowledge between Negro and Latin American youth gangs

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Re: Blacks, Incorporated

as related and claimed that there has always been a certain amount of racially motivated friction between the two groups, which would prevent such a coalition being effected.

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that he and [redacted] have been going together for some time and that she is known to his acquaintances, including [redacted] as his "wife".

[redacted] furnished the following descriptive data:

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